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The reply brief filed 8/8/06 has been entered and considered. The application has been forwarded to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences for decision on the appeal.

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appellant:	)	
John D. Phillips	)	Examiner: A. Phi Dieu Tran
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Application No.: 10/051,486	)	Group Art Unit: 3637
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Filing Date: January 18, 2002	)	Attorney Docket: 24457B
	)	
Title: Laminated Roofing Shingle Having Staggered	)	
Shadow Lines and Method of Making the Same	)	

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REPLY BRIEF

Honorable Sir:

This reply brief is in response to an Examiner's Answer, dated June 14, 2006. In the answer, the Examiner mainly attacked three points of Appellant's arguments, as set forth in the Appellant's appeal brief, dated May 15, 2006. In particular, this reply brief is responsive to the Examiner's comments regarding 1) elements not taught by the art of record, 2) lack of motivation to combine, and 3) use of impermissible hindsight, as set forth under the following headings.

1) Elements not taught in the Art of Record

With respect to the Examiner's answer to Appellant's arguments that missing elements from Weaver are not taught by Hannah or Corbin, Appellant respectfully points out that Weaver cannot be modified by Hannah and Corbin to show all the claim limitations.

Weaver fails to disclose or teach an overlay with a tab having a first shadow line and a remaining portion, wherein the first shadow line and the remaining portion are on an outer surface of the tab, and further wherein the first shadow line